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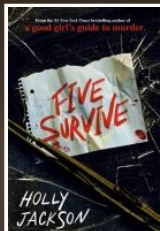
hot picks

check out these hot new titles for teens!

for teens february 2023



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FIVE SURVIVE

By Holly Jackson (YA F Jack)

388 pages 2022 Mystery Fiction

Red is on a road trip for spring break with five of her friends, looking forward to the beach and some much-needed relaxation when they make a wrong turn in their luxury trailer and end up blowing out all the tires. Stuck in the middle of nowhere with no cell service, they soon realize that they're not alone, but whoever's out there doesn't want to help them. Instead, he's going to hurt them unless one of them spills a secret that no one else knows. Red has a secret that's going to help her and her dad get back on their feet, but this person couldn't possibly know about that, could he? Things start looking more desperate as the hours pass, all their escape plans are thwarted, and they start to turn on one another to try to figure out what their captor wants. (Grades 9 & up)

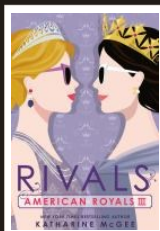


A GIRL'S GUIDE TO LOVE & MAGIC

By Debbie Rigaud (YA F Riga)

270 pages 2022 Fantasy Fiction

Cecily is about to have the best day of her life. New York is celebrating the West Indian Day Parade (a.k.a. Caribbean Carnival) where Cecily gets to hang out with her awesome aunt who studies voodoo and meet the hottest Caribbean rap star. To top it off, it is her birthday. The day is going fine until a party-loving spirit possesses her aunt during a ceremony gone wrong. Now, Cecily and her friends have to search the city for the items needed to free her aunt before they miss the Carnival fun — or worse — her parents find out. This fun adventure gives readers a glimpse into the celebration of the Caribbean-American experience. (Grades 7-12)



RIVALS

By Katharine McGee (YA F Mcge)

394 pages 2022 Alternate History

The American Royals series, which is set in a world where America overthrew British rule and George Washington was crowned king instead of elected president, returns with its third installment. Beatrice, who is now queen, must try to establish her credibility and balance her relationship while playing hostess to monarchs from around the world at the League of Kings conference. Princess Samantha must try to figure out what her future will look like as the "spare," not the heir, and how her boyfriend, Marshall, will fit into it. And Prince Jefferson's longtime girlfriend, Daphne, finds herself in a precarious situation that requires her to team up with his ex, Nina, to take on a common enemy. (Grades 8 & up)



VINYL MOON

By Mahogany L. Browne (YA F Brow)

166 pages 2022 Realistic Fiction

After a violent incident with her boyfriend, Angel is forced by her mother to move from California to Brooklyn, New York, to live with her uncle. Angel is placed in a program at her new school called H.E.R. — Her Excellence is Resilience & Honoring Everyone's Roots — with seven other teen girls struggling with personal pain. Angel is surprised by how quickly her new classmates make her feel welcome and by her new love for reading Black authors like James Baldwin, Toni Morrison, and Maya Angelou. The words of these famous authors help Angel on her journey to build meaningful relationships, become more confident, and start healing from past life trauma. (Grades 9 & up)



STAR WARS THE EMPIRE STRIKES BACK: SO YOU WANT TO BE A JEDI?

By Adam Gidwitz (J F Gidw)

310 pages 2015 Science Fiction

So You Want to Be a Jedi is about Yoda trying to recruit Jedis to win the war against the dark side. I liked this book because it kept me on the edge of my seat and it taught me a lot of tips and tricks about being a Jedi. Reviewed by TAB member Bennett S. (Grades 4 & up)